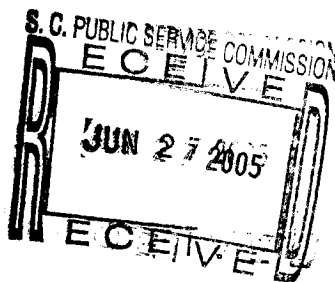




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*VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL*

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni  
Administrator and Chief Clerk  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina, 29210

RE: Duke Power's Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs  
Docket No. 2005-3-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is Duke Power's Response to the Office of Regulatory Staff's First Continuing Data Request which has been served on all parties of record.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lara Nichols at 704.382.9960 or Bill Austin at 803.748.9800.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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